

pilot training, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 409 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 778; **Pages H11328–38, H11353**

Recognizing the 40th anniversary of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas: H. Con. Res. 138, to recognize the 40th anniversary of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas; **Pages H11338–40**

Commending Russ Meyer on his induction into the National Aviation Hall of Fame: H. Res. 719, amended, to commend Russ Meyer on his induction into the National Aviation Hall of Fame; **Pages H11340–41**

Maritime Workforce Development Act: H.R. 2651, amended, to amend title 46, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a maritime career training loan program; **Pages H11341–47**

National Women's History Museum Act of 2009: H.R. 1700, amended, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to provide for the establishment of a National Women's History Museum; and **Pages H11348–50**

Recognizing the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association on the occasion of its 10th anniversary: H. Res. 465, amended, to recognize the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association on the occasion of its 10th anniversary. **Pages H11354–56**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, October 13th:

Expressing support for the designation of the month of October as "National Work and Family Month": H. Res. 768, amended, to express support for the designation of the month of October as "National Work and Family Month", by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 415 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 775 and **Page H11351**

Iran Sanctions Enabling Act of 2009: H.R. 1327, amended, to authorize State and local governments to direct divestiture from, and prevent investment in, companies with investments of \$20,000,000 or more in Iran's energy sector, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 776. **Pages H11351–52**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Expressing sympathy for the citizens of the Philippines dealing with Tropical Storm Ketsana and Typhoon Parma: H. Res. 800, amended, to express sympathy for the citizens of the Philippines dealing

with Tropical Storm Ketsana and Typhoon Parma and **Pages H11325–28**

George P. Kazen Federal Building and United States Courthouse Designation Act: H.R. 2423, amended, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 Victoria Street in Laredo, Texas, as the "George P. Kazen Federal Building and United States Courthouse", and to designate the jury room in that Federal building and United States courthouse as the "Marcel C. Notzon II Jury Room". **Pages H11347–48**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H11305.

Senate Referrals: S. 1510 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and S. 846 was referred to the Committee on Financial Services. **Page H11382**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H11351, H11351–52, H11352–53, H11353, H11353–54. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AFGHANISTAN STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Afghanistan: Getting the Strategy Right. Testimony was heard from GEN Jack Keane, USA (ret.), Former Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE BUDGET ISSUES

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Cost of Current Defense Plans: An Analysis of Budget Issues. Testimony was heard from Matthew Goldberg, Acting Assistant Director, National Security, CBO; and Stephen Daggert, Specialist in Defense Policy and Budgets, CRS, Library of Congress.

STUDENT FEDERAL AID ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness held a hearing on Ensuring Student Eligibility Requirements for Federal Aid. Testimony was heard from George A. Scott, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Education: Mary Mitchelson, Acting Inspector General; and Robert Shireman, Deputy Under Secretary; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3276, American Medical Isotopes Production Act of 2009; H.R. 3258, Drinking Water System Security Act of 2009; and H.R. 2868, Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Act of 2009.

RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS TREATMENT EXTENSION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action H.R. 3792, Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009.

FINANCIAL REGULATORY REFORM MEASURES

Committee on Financial Assistance: Began consideration of the following measures: October 2, Discussion Draft of the Over-the-Counter Derivatives Markets Act of 2009; September 25, Discussion Draft of the Consumer Financial Protection Agency Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3126, Consumer Financial Protection Agency Act of 2009); H.R. 3763, To amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to provide for an exclusion from Red Flag Guidelines for certain businesses; and H.R. 3639, Expedited CARD Reform for Consumers Act of 2009.

Will continue tomorrow.

PHILIPPINES INDEPENDENCE/APEC FUTURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, The Pacific and The Global Environment approved for full Committee action, as amended, H. Con. Res. 153, Honoring the 111th anniversary of the independence of the Philippines.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Future of APEC (Asian-Pacific Economic Cooperation). Testimony was heard from Kurt Tong, Acting U.S. Senior Official to APEC, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Wendy Cutler, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative, Japan, Korea and APEC Affairs, Office of the U. S. Trade Representative.

HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Diversity at the Department of Homeland Security: Continuing Challenges and New Opportunities." Testimony was heard from Christine Griffin, Vice-Chair, EEOC; Yvonne Jones, Director, Strategic Issues Team, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Jane Holl Lute, Deputy Secretary; W. Craig Fugate, Administrator, FEMA; Jayson Ahern, Acting Commissioner, U.S.

Customs and Border Protection; Gale Rossides, Acting Assistant Secretary, Transportation Security Administration; and Mark Sullivan, Director, U.S. Secret Service.

SECURING PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION WITHIN THE U.S. CAPITOL POLICE

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Capital Security held a hearing on Securing Personally Identifiable Information within the United States Capitol Police. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the United State Capitol Police: Phillip D. Morse Sr., Chief; and Carl W. Hoecker, Inspector General.

AIG BONUSES AUDIT REPORT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled "AIG Bonuses: Audit Report of the Special Inspector General." Testimony was heard from Neil M. Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program.

BAY AREA REGIONAL WATER RECYCLING PROGRAM EXPANSION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 6 to 5, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2442, the "Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Expansion Act of 2009". The rule provides for one hour of general debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives George Miller of California and Hastings of Washington.

CONFERENCE REPORT—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2892, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervention of any motion except one hour

of debate and one motion to recommit if applicable. Testimony was heard from Representative Price of North Carolina.

FIRE GRANTS REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3791, Fire Grants Reauthorization Act of 2009.

SMALL BUSINESSES—INCREASING ACCESS TO CAPITAL

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled "Increasing Access to Capital for Small Businesses." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HIGH-SPEED RAIL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on High-Speed Rail in the United States: Opportunities and Challenges. Testimony was heard from Representative Tiberi; Joseph C. Szabo, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Susan Fleming, Director, GAO; Thomas Carper, Chairman of the Board, National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak); and public witnesses.

VA—UPDATE STATE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the Update on the State of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

PROMOTION OF TOLERANCE AND UNDERSTANDING

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine promoting tolerance and understanding in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) region, focusing on the role of the personal representatives, after receiving testimony from Rabbi Andrew Baker, Personal Representative on Combating Anti-Semitism, Washington, D.C., Adil Akhmetov, Personal Representative on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination Against Muslims, Astana, Kazakhstan, and Mario Mauro, Personal Representative on Com-

bating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, Milan, Italy, all of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1170)

H.R. 3663, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay the date on which the accreditation requirement under the Medicare Program applies to suppliers of durable medical equipment that are pharmacies. Signed on October 13, 2009. (Public Law 111-72)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Erroll G. Southers, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Patrick Gallagher, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, and Paul K. Martin, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, and Elizabeth M. Robinson, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, both of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jim R. Esquea, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Ellen Gloninger Murray, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Resources and Technology, and Bryan Hayes Samuels, of Illinois, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, all of the Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection, to hold hearings to examine drought, flooding and refugees, focusing on the impacts of climate change, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues, to hold hearings to examine United States international broadcasting into the war zones, focusing on Iraq and Afghanistan, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine equal health care for equal premiums, focusing on women, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine domestic partner benefits, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain